



TOP OFFICERS FOR THE CONTRA COSTA Real Estate Board were installed at impressive ceremonies Monday night in Lafayette. Pictured here, left to right, are Lawrence Wallace, president; Bill Boies, president of the Orinda Division; Mrs. Warren Harrold, president of the Women's Division; and Ed Wallace, state president of the California Real Estate Association, brother of Lawrence.

MEET THREE OF THE NEW DIRECTORS of the Orinda Association, as they waited before the board meeting last Monday at the Orinda Firehouse. They are, left to right, Wayne Littlejohn, Mrs. Ernest Spiegel and Andy Blalock. A fourth new director is Robert Spott. They were elected by a mail ballot of the Association's membership and will help guide the group's affairs for the next several years. (Photos by Mattson)

## Orinda Awaiting Zoning Proposals Of Commission

The County Planning Commission is now considering the demands of Orinda residents on the proposed zoning of Orinda, following Tuesday night's hearing in Martinez.

Over 150 Orindans attended the protest hearing conducted by the County Planning Commission in Hall of Records. The Commission has until the middle of February to send its recommendations back to the Board of Supervisors, according to Planning Technician Thomas Heaton. An extension, however, can be requested, he added.

At Tuesday's meeting representatives of Orinda's neighborhood improvement groups, the Orinda Association and individuals presented their ideas on the proposed zoning amendment. Sole spokesman for the developers and real estate interest was Bestor Robinson, representing the Rheem interests and the Moraga Land Company.

### ONE HALF ACRE

Residents were unanimous in their demand for zoning of no less than one-half acre lots, except in Oak Springs and Orinda Oaks. They also asked that most agricultural land be zoned RA (1/2 acre) and that the business section at the Crossroads be confined to a smaller area than proposed by the Commission in its recommendations several months ago.

William Penn Mott Jr., spokesman for the Orinda Association, re-read the lengthy letter submitted to the Board of Supervisors in November, outlining the residents' suggestions. Others present for the Association were Clarence Betz, George Hauerken and Ritchie Smith.

### MISTAKE MADE?

Heaton answered the charges that a "mistake had been made," declaring that no ordinance has been enacted and the recommendations presented were not final. "If the Commission's plan were made, law, then it could be termed a mistake if you disagreed with the law."

Commissioner Arthur Young pointed out that he was not certain the spokesmen present represented all the people of Orinda. "Of the 4,000 people in Orinda, there are only 150 here," he said.

### LESS THAN HALF ACRE

Young declared that the Commission zoned certain areas RS (1/4 acre) because the assessor's maps show that the majority of holdings in these areas are less than one-half acre.

"We will have to be proved that zoning these areas RS is inconsistent with the present development of the land," he said. "We know too by checking maps that many individual homeowners in Orinda are cutting up their property into smaller parcels before zoning goes into effect."

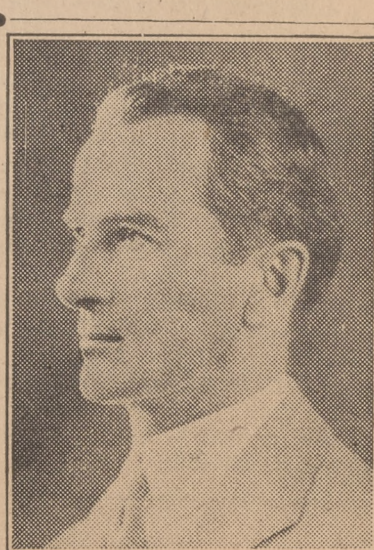
Referring to the zoning of the corner of Moraga Highway and Glorietta as residential, Bestor Robinson emphasized that the property was originally subdivided for business. He said he would not press his objections but wanted to go on record along these lines.

### LACK OF INTEREST

Heaton stated yesterday that he could not understand the lack of interest shown by most people in the zoning of Orinda.

"We put up posters all over Orinda... the zoning is apparently a very controversial subject... and yet only 150 people show up at the protest meeting," Heaton said. "In San Ramon Valley over 850 residents attended the zoning hearing."

## First Lecture of Acalanes Forum Tuesday Will Present R. A. Gettell



RAYMOND GETTELL  
1st speaker on Acalanes Forum

50 cents, and he emphasized again that everyone in this area is invited to attend. Walnut Creek establishments with tickets available are Dahlgren Stationery and Reilly's Music Store. In Lafayette, they may be obtained at the Central Bank, Neill Cornwall's office, or Lafayette Tire Service.

## Oak Springs Votes Against Shopping Center Plan

The plan of George Adelson to build a business center on Brookwood Road at Spring was unanimously opposed by members of the Oak Springs Home Association at their meeting January 11.

Meeting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Miller, the group heard Adelson's proposal to build a shopping center with stores to rent to a grocery store, filling station, rental library, and other similar types of business.

Adelson had submitted his request by letter to the County Planning Commission.

The Association opposed the request because it was felt the section would be a traffic hazard. Situated at the junction, the association expressed the opinion that the business would bring more traffic on Brookwood Road. Secondly, the Association said that Oak Springs was too small to support a business section, particularly with the Crossroads so accessible.

Adelson's property at the intersection is unimproved at present with the exception of a house.

The association voted to send a letter to the Board of Supervisors protesting the move.

At the meeting, Mrs. Lee Mike-sell was appointed supervisor of the pool for the summer of 1949. She has not chosen her committee yet.

Nathan Gray explained plans to take up the problem of the roads in Oak Springs with the County Supervisors. January 23 was set as cleanup day in Oak Springs, with Tom Hall appointed as the chairman.

## Services Held For Mrs. Taylor

Funeral services were held Tuesday, January 18, at the Bigelow Mortuary in Angel's Camp for Ella Tarbot Taylor, wife of Edwin V. Taylor, of 185 Orinda Highway.

Mrs. Taylor, a native of Carson Hill, California, is also survived by a brother, Bert Tarbot, of Angel's Camp.

Interment was in St. Patrick's Cemetery, Angel's Camp, following a requiem mass celebrated at 10 a.m. at St. Patrick's Church. Recitation of the rosary was held Monday evening at 8 o'clock.

## Club Women Are Planting Flowers

Many Orinda Garden Club members have been engaged recently in planting Poppy and Lupen wild flowers along the highway near their homes.

Those who have participated are Mesdames: Kenneth Courtwright, Ernest J. Hadden, Kendrick Morrish, Donald Badgely, Eugene Shurtleff, Charles Camp, E. F. Hockenbeamer, Lonnie Bee, H. S. Doane, William Kilgo, Earl de-Soto, Gene Hainlin, Theodore Beckett, Milton Selby, J. M. Rodwell, Reese Jones, A. P. Wald, Dorothy Lamb, Valentine Brookes, and Alden Macomber.

## Home Dept. To Meet Wed.

Home Department will meet January 26 at 10 a.m. at the home of Mrs. B. F. Courant, 224 La Espiral. Miss Burling's talk will be on "Tricks in Tailoring." Last month's meeting was an afternoon dessert meeting and Miss Burling discussed the proper utensils for kitchen use.

## A. W. Elkinton Elected President Of Association

A. W. Elkinton was elected president of the Orinda Association at the Director's meeting Monday evening at the Firehouse. Robert C. Spott was named vice president and Clarence Betz was re-elected as secretary-treasurer.

New directors elected by ballots sent to residents were inducted at the meeting. They are Mrs. Ernest Spiegel, Andrew Blalock, Wayne Littlejohn and Spott.

Directors remaining in office to fulfill their term are Harold Ohleyer, Jack Janse, Herbert Hauser, Clarence Betz, and A. W. Elkinton.

After accepting the gavel from outgoing president Ritchie Smith, Elkinton briefly outlined plans for the year, including community center development and carrying zoning to a conclusion.

Representing the Orinda Association at Tuesday's zoning hearing were Clarence Betz, George Hauerken, William Penn Mott Jr. and Ritchie Smith.

## February 14 Set For Guild Tea

The 14th of February should be circled on the calendar or noted in one's engagement book as a reminder of the Valentine Tea and card party to be held that afternoon in the new church unit by the members and friends of the Women's Guild.

It promises to be a most enjoyable social affair with a worthwhile charitable object in view. Tickets at \$1.25 each may be purchased from Muriel King and Gertrude Ogden of the evening group and from Jeannette Blalock and Dee Hight of the afternoon group.

## Cold But Dry -- Or Warm and Wet?

By WEATHER OBSERVER  
We're hard pressed to decide whether ye olde weather observer was happier cold but dry or warm and wet.

There doesn't seem to be any happy medium in winter time; however, after that last desperate struggle with Uncle Lem's woolen union suit, we're tempted to welcome the present soggy state.

No doubt by the time this reaches our readers, temperatures will return to freezing, or more in keeping with usual "ideal weather conditions" out here, the sun will be shining brightly. If so, the skies are deliberately trying to make a liar out of this lone wolf observer, who last week shyly intimated (that's keeping on the fence neatly) rain in the near future.

### WHAT, NO RAIN?

Being a modest soul, perhaps we shouldn't mention that right up through Tuesday city dailies were bursting with "no rain" prophecies, all caged in the most scientific, logical terms. Strangely enough, that evening moisture appeared. We hope the scientists involved in this shabby error received a throatful of pearly dew when their mouths fell open in surprise — at least enough water to drown out further predictions

## Front Row View Of Blazing Fire

This is the story of the Volunteer Fireman who didn't volunteer — our new Sun Valley hero.

Alexander Eastman lives opposite the home that burned about three weeks ago. Upon hearing the fire sirens and looking out to see the Harrington home in flames, Mr. Eastman dashed to the utility room and grabbed his old Navy slicker and cap — it was pouring that night. In this garb he hurried across the street and was immediately handed a hose and a hatchet and told to go up on the roof and get to work.

He followed the orders and worked furiously for what SEEMED to be, at least, a long, long time. Finally a fireman joined him and said, in an off hand way, "Say — what department are you with?" He was astonished to hear the reply — "I'm not — I just live over there."

## They Forgot to Look at the Clock

The seventh and eighth grades of the Orinda School enjoyed a dance last Friday.

The seventh grade handled the decorating and the eighth grade did the entertainment in which the entire class participated. Everyone said that Dave Cranston was very fetching and one of the high spots of the evening in his night shirt in one of the skits.

Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Somers, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Druhe, Mr. and Mrs. William A. Medlin and Miss Frances Tighe were the sponsors. Punch and donuts were served and the money made was turned over to the student body fund.

This was a particularly successful dance. It was supposed to be over at 10 o'clock, but everyone was having so much fun that nobody saw the clock until 10:30!

for awhile.

Speaking personally, the odd bits of attire we placed over plants and shrubs to keep them from catching pneumonia are now getting a quick shower. Baby diapers are used to such activity but it's hard to tell how the old sweat-shirt, assorted table linen, etc. will accept this calamity.

### WOOLIES TUCKED AWAY

Though we don't want this prediction bruited about, nor much less banded humorously in case of error, we've tucked our woolies, ear muffs, mittens, macinaws and heavy socks away temporarily — more in hopes of scaring off future freezes than anything else.

Now is the time for all good people, particularly mothers, to commence suffering from an occupational hazard well known in Lafayette and Orinda — muditis.

We can see it now — youngsters arriving at the back door with adobe caked a-foot thick on their rubbers, dear little muddy hands plastered lovingly against the family homestead, brazen little fellows wading through mud puddles up to their waists.

Goodness, could that have been us who complained about those cold, clear days?

## Vandalism of Summer 1946 Admitted By Two 17-year-old Oakland Youths

The vandalism of the summer of 1946 has at last been solved.

Sheriff James Long this week announced that two Oakland boys, 17 years old, have admitted the vandalism that terrorized Orinda three years ago. Motive: "Just for the thrill of it."

Destruction to and burglarization of at least 50 homes has been laid to John Stark and Douglas Brown.

They were linked to the troublesome cases following the arrest of Stark in Oakland on December 6. Under questioning he implicated Brown, currently serving a term in Chabot Camp for boys in Alameda County.

### 50 HOMES HERE

Sheriff said Stark admitted to Inspector Norman Wilson entering approximately 50 homes in the Orinda area, all in the summer of 1946.

He told Wilson, however, that damage was done to only about 25. In the others he said, he and Brown merely entered, looked around and left.

Long and Wilson said apparently vandalism was the primary motive with burglary secondary. Thefts were reported from 22 homes.

### UNABLE TO RECOVER

The loot included watches, other jewelry, air rifles and firearms.

## Election Set to Extend Tax Limit

An election to continue the present extended tax limit of Acalanes Union High School district has been called for March 22 by the Board of Trustees.

Balloting will be on the Board's request to set a \$1.50 tax limit for five years beginning with the fiscal year 1949-1950, according to Neil Parsons, superintendent. Trustees decided on this election at their regular meeting last week, inasmuch as the three year tax-limit increase authorized by vote in 1946 expires within the next few months.

Parsons explained that if authorization for the increase is not renewed this spring, the tax-limit reverts to \$.75, its otherwise legal ceiling. "With the district tax rate now at \$1.17 to \$1.19, the Board pointed out that a 75-cent top would not begin to cover local school costs."

"Although a legal limit 30 cents higher than the \$1.20 voted in 1946 is now being sought, no appreciable rise beyond the present \$1.17-\$1.19 is contemplated in the near future," he added. "The additional leeway is recommended by the Board only as a safeguard for meeting unforeseen emergencies."

Parsons declared this new figure is in line with precedent already set by other Contra Costa communities faced with financial problems of rapidly expanding school populations. Among these are Richmond, Antioch and the Alhambra District of Martinez.

At the same board meeting which set the election date, bids were taken under consideration for purchasing a pick up truck. Also, a new bus route was set up for high school students in Orinda's El Toyonal area and service started Tuesday.



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## Letters to the Editor

### EDITOR, THE SUN:

As a nation we are rapidly becoming a decadent race. For conclusive evidence we refer you to the classes at Acalanes high school Wednesday night of last week.

A sufficient number of people signed up and paid their \$5 fee to fill 50 tables in the bridge class.

Not a single person put in his appearance to study the intricacies of poker. Blood must be getting to be a light pink or orange. It might be well to check with Gerow on this and see if he has any new "dope" on present-day trends.

There is a definite thrill in poker, that is, if you play it for the thrills and not as a livelihood. Take, for instance, the other night: the pot was opened for a dollar and a quarter; the little devil inside said, "Stay and draw to the king and ace."

We did and made an ace full on a three-card draw. However, we wouldn't recommend it as a sound investment.

We believe that there should be no discrimination in establishment of night classes at Acalanes. If we are to have classes where the "panty-waists" are taught a game where, after the bidding, everybody knows who's got what and where, why can't we have a class, for those who wear rivets in their jeans, where they can be taught the fundamentals of drawing to an inside straight and catastrophes attendant thereto?

We believe that the athletic department should sponsor such a move for we can think of no sport that gives the heart muscles and head arteries such a work-out as trying to snare a spade to match four other spades. And look what it does to the face muscles — you can smile without the twitch of a lip, and your eyes can look like something Gutzon Borglum carved out of the granite on Rushmore near Deadwood.

AL G. SNEDEKER

## Captain Sandford Sez:

Hullo, folks, the worst of the cold spell is evidently over, though the mornings are still crisp round the adges . . . more running noses, than romantic Lotharios them days, sez I.

It is decidedly possible that we may some day have great communities here. In anticipation of all this, we who live here now have certain clean cut obligations to the future generations who will live here.

I do not know exactly what the local service clubs and similar organizations are endeavoring to accomplish, but here are several situations which require attention immediately.

Adequate parking areas must be developed in strategic locations otherwise the business establishments can only expect to fade away and ultimately die on the vine. Proper transportation facilities are absolutely necessary. Perhaps the old Sacramento Northern Railroad might be resuscitated. If our development in the next five years is even only as great as it has been in the last five years the present transportation system will be totally and positively inadequate, in fact it is inadequate now.

Accompanied by another real estate broker, I made an expedition into a rapidly developing area only a few miles from here and saw vast stretches of beautiful land all without any feasible water supply. Some of the people had to carry water all summer . . . the wells gave out. How thankful we here should be for our magnificent supply of clear, pure water from snow-fed mountain streams.

I opened my dictionary at the word "highway" and read, "A road used by the public; a thoroughfare; a main road." That's what Webster says. Ours is a "Maniac's Boulevard." Driving conditions on Mt. Diablo Boulevard becomes daily steadily worse. My office is a front line dressing station.

We hear the screeching of brakes; we wait for the crash; then the survivors come dashing to the office to telephone for the police, ambulance, insurance companies and what have you. Some people think that the motor cycle officers are afraid to venture forth amongst the automobiles. I just don't know about that.

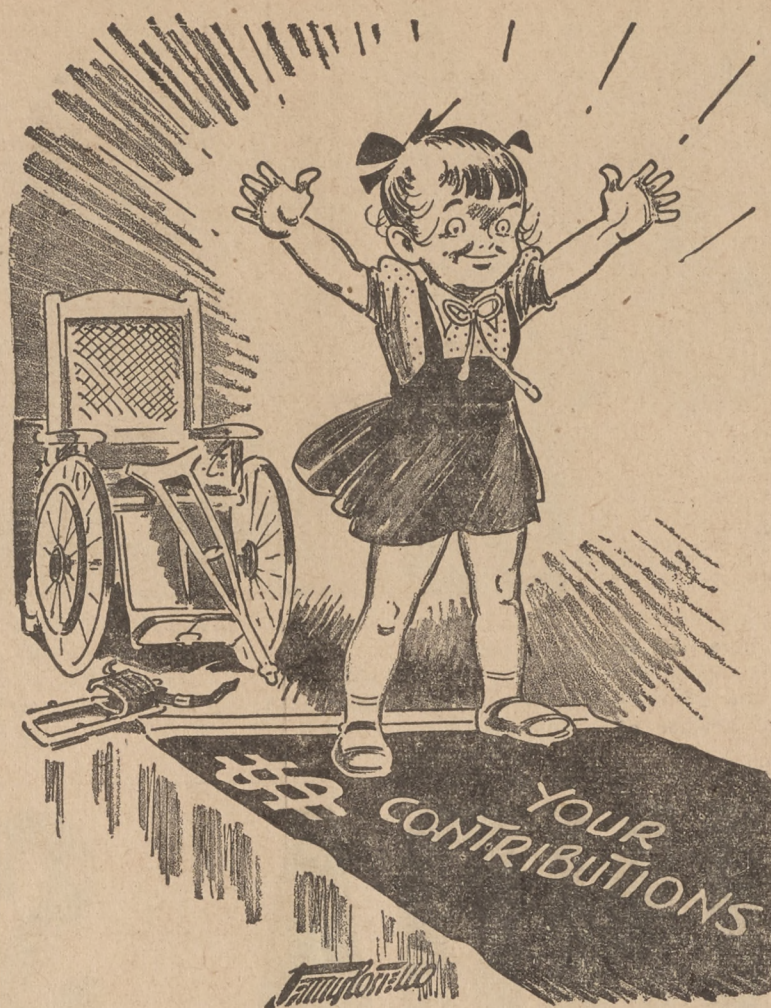
I do know that in 1914 when I enlisted as a private soldier with the Canadians, my pay was \$1.10 a day. I was a willing, anxious volunteer and all we were promised was our pay, some grub ("the good Lord sends the food and the Devil sends the cooks") and maybe a wooden cross; but not one of us, having taken on the job, ever found it too dangerous to continue to the end.

The other day I heard the screeching of brakes and a crash, and dashed out of the office to see the results of another head-on collision. Amongst a small crowd gathering I encountered an Englishman who is sojourning here with his wife and family.

During the course of conversation he made this statement to me, "My wife and I have just returned from a motor trip to Vancouver, a most delightful and pleasant expedition without any problems or difficulties, traffic or otherwise. On our return, having passed Acalanes High School, we turned right on the highway and my wife said with a sigh, 'Back again to Maniac's Boulevard.'"

And so what? Let us all make a concerted effort to have something done about it.

## SEE, I MADE IT!



## Your Legislator Reports

By Assemblyman  
ROBERT L. CONDON

For two weeks now the Public Utilities Commission has been holding hearings relative to granting rate increases for telephone service. This looks like another round in the game of who pays the price for inflation.

This time it's the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company trying to pin added burdens on the family that pays the phone bill each month. In the last two years alone, the PT&T has received rate increases totaling over \$22,000,000 per year. And now their present application pending before the PUC would call for telephone rate increases of over \$33,000,000 per year.

Because there has been serious challenge on the part of many municipalities and counties whether a further rate increase for telephone service is warranted, and because there is a question as to whether existing service is satisfactory, I introduced a bill in the Assembly last week designed to set up a special committee to investigate this situation. Twenty-four other Assemblymen joined as co-authors seeking this investigation.

Should the Legislature authorize this committee, it will be possible to learn the effect of the highly complex relationships of the phone company with its parent company, the American Telephone and Telegraph Company, and its subsidiaries.

It is known that 87% of the stock of the local company is owned by the AT&T. In addition the AT&T owns in its entirety the Western Electric Company, which is the principal supplier of equipment to the company operating in this State. The investigating committee would be empowered to determine the effect on phone rates and service, if any, of this monopolistic tie-in.

Because in the past the PT&T has disregarded an order of the PUC relating to license fees between it and its parent company, claiming that the PUC had no authority to act, the investigating committee will seek to determine the authority of the PUC in such matters. If necessary, the committee will be able to recommend legislation directing rate bases and service improvement.

If authorized by the Legislature

(something that should be decided within the next week) the investigating committee should also be able to cast light on whether the consumer need be burdened with an additional \$9 to \$18 per year on his phone bill.

I have been appointed to serve on three committees: Industrial Relations; Social Welfare; and Transportation and Commerce.

Because of the complexity of legislation for so large a State, most of the work of this law-making body is done in committee. Unless the Committee recommends the passage of a bill, it usually never comes to the floor for a vote by the membership.

The titles of the three committees indicates generally the type of legislation referred to them for study and action. The Social Welfare Committee may be relatively inactive since passage of Proposition 4, relating to Old Age and Blind pensions, covered many of the problems usually assigned to this Committee. The Industrial Relations Committee, dealing with the problems of Labor; and the Transportation and Commerce Committee, which will consider Governor Warren's highway program, however, promise to be extremely busy.

Meanwhile the Legislative process rolls on. I repeat, if you want legislation introduced, write me at the State Capitol before the end of January. It is virtually impossible to present any new bills after the end of this month.

## Public Invited To JC Meeting

An invitation to the general public to attend the Contra Costa Junior College Trustees' first meeting Monday night, 8 o'clock in the Supervisors' Chambers, Hall of Records, Martinez, was issued this week by County School Superintendent B. O. Wilson.

Business on the docket at this initial conference includes: naming a chairman and secretary, selecting a time and place for future meetings, and assigning an official name to the junior college district.

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## Urgent Need for Dimes Drive Told

The urgent need for a greater March of Dimes in Contra Costa County has been emphasized by a startling report which has just reached the SUN.

Harold F. Sawallisch, general county chairman, Contra Costa Chapter, National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis has been notified by the New York office of the National Foundation that except for DIRE EMERGENCY no more funds are available for this county.

### VIOLENT EPIDEMIC

The violent epidemic which savagely struck Contra Costa starting last summer created a grave financial crisis in the local chapter. It not only completely wiped out the Chapter's treasury but it was also found necessary to borrow \$10,000 from New York. That was in November.

Because of the terrific case load of stricken polio patients in Contra Costa County, this sum was quickly expended — and an additional loan of \$10,000 requested. Yesterday, Contra Costa Chapter received the reluctant reply that

the additional loan could not be granted. The Emergency Epidemic Polio Fund of the National Foundation has been completely exhausted, too. In a statement Sawallisch declared:

"From now on Contra Costa County is strictly on its own. No mistake about it. If we are to take care of our stricken infantile paralysis victims we must give to the Contra Costa Chapter, March of Dimes. We cannot leave our people unprotected!"

### OVER \$52,000 SPENT

"To date, Contra Costa Chapter has spent more than \$52,000 since the epidemic struck, and it commences to look like the fight has merely begun. This sum was spent for hospitalization, nurses, physio-therapy, hot packs, medicines, crutches, braces, wheel chairs, iron lungs and myriad of other costs involved in treating the disease."

Eighteen NEW cases have been reported in California with four deaths since the New Year.

## Pleasant Hills Sewer Work Starts

Sewer Construction work in western Pleasant Hill started last week, says District Manager John L. Mason, and bids for local improvement district 6, Pleasant Hill East, will be opened at the Central Contra Costa Sanitary Board meeting in Walnut Creek tonight.

If the program proceeds as planned, some homes in this locality will receive sewer service by early summer, Mason explained, as individual hookups can be made before the entire job is finished.

### Problems Turn Up

On the problem side of the ledger, Mason has received a grievance concerning installation work in Sun Valley. The battle is between Stolte Co., Inc., the local contractor, and side sewer contractors.

Present disagreement is keeping approximately 200 Sun Valley homes from being connected to the sewers. Stolte will not permit lateral contractors to do any more connecting inasmuch as before the Christmas rains the plumbers optimistically cut too many trenches in streets for which Stolte is responsible. Rain made these streets a quagmire yet the plumbers have not cleaned them up, thus preventing Stolte from collecting his payment until the street are finished and accepted by the district.

### Plan Compromise

Mason says he will try to reach a compromise, whereby Stolte will permit a few installations to be made at a time, eliminating the tearing up of large street surface areas as before.

In connection with the Sanitary District Board, the group is awaiting an opinion from the District Attorney's office on the amount of taxes to be paid by Walnut Creek if the City turned over maintenance of the sewer system to the district. Directors previously have said the State code is "ambiguous" and suggested introduction of an amendment in the legislature.

## Past Presidents Assembly Tackles Juvenile Problem

Convinced that the opening of more Youth Centers will be of measurable assistance in meeting the juvenile problem in the county, the Past Presidents Assembly of Contra Costa County has requested the County Board of Supervisors to give financial assistance for more centers, Mrs. William West, of Richmond, assembly president said this week.

## Orinda Homes



and Homesites

## Leaflets Condemn Hall 'Lock Out'

Leaflets condemning the recent "lock out" of students from school halls except during classes have been circulated throughout Acalanes High during the past week. The Acalanes Blueprint, student weekly, says pamphlets have appeared in lockers, teachers' desks and on bulletin boards.

Written in what the paper terms "a wild-eyed manner", this literary barrage is directed against the newly invoked rule which prevents students from using the halls except when classes are in session.

A senior committee has been discussing possibility of returning "hall privileges" to boys and girls in that grade, providing certain regulations are accepted. Those on the committee are John Klauder, Don Tiernan, Judy Dunlap, Nancy Brooks, Bob Symes, Bill Morrish.

## Lions Funds Buy Building for Blind

Through the untiring efforts of the Lions Clubs of Contra Costa and Alameda counties, a new recreation building for the Blind will soon be erected at 38th Street between Manila and Apgar, Oakland. Funds turned over to the Central Blind Committee were raised for this project through the Seal drive sponsored by the Lions.

The building, following along the same lines as Blind recreation centers in New York and Chicago, will include a recreation hall, reading room, lobby, auditorium, kitchen and Braille room, where Braille will be taught.

This year efforts will be increased so that a bowling alley and outdoor patio may be added. Appreciation for their unceasing efforts towards this goal goes to Mr. and Mrs. John Blaney, Mrs. Paul Vashell and Mrs. George Hartzell of Orinda. Mr. Blaney is the Orinda Lions Club chairman for the Central Blind Committee. To supplement funds a rummage sale will be held in the near future. Rummage is being collected now and may be left with Mrs. Blaney, 7 Overhill Road, or Mrs. Vashell, 11 Moraga Highway.

## HOSIERY SALE

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## Cocktail Parties to Precede Dance

The Hill 'N Dale formal dinner dance at the Country Club Friday evening will be preceded by the traditional round of cocktail parties.

Hosting parties before the dance will be Mesdames and Messrs. Sheldon Allen, Douglas Day, Stewart Davis, Stewart Dinwiddie, Frank Dunn, Paul Diggle, William Fleager, Vad Jelton, William Judge, Oliver Meek, James North, Quentin Reynolds, George Richardson and Milton Selby.

In addition to the Hill 'N Dale membership, guests attending the dance will be Dr. and Mrs. Tom Flinn, Mr. and Mrs. Burnham Mobley, Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Calden and Mr. and Mrs. Robert N. Burgess Sr.

The Hill 'N Dale executive board members are: Mesdames and Messrs. Frank Dunn, Ray Tolles, Thomas Telfer, Dana Ham-

lin, Ritchie Smith, and Oliver Meek.

Mrs. Frank Dunn made arrangements for the dance and Mrs. Ritchie Smith handled reservations.

## B. O. Wilson Named Chairman

B. O. Wilson, County school superintendent, was appointed chairman of the resolutions committee of the California Association of School Administrators, it was announced this week.

The School Department also announced that Dr. Wayne McIntire, director of supervision of the County School Department, has been invited to speak at the 33rd annual convention of the National Association of Secondary School Principals, which will meet in Chicago, February 26 to March 2.

## Jackson E. Heffner In Foreign Service

Jackson E. Heffner, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy J. Heffner of Upper Brown Avenue, has just recently received an appointment to Foreign Service with the diplomatic branch of the State Department. At the present time he is taking a three month's course in Washington D.C. before being assigned to any certain branch.

Jackson is a graduate of Princeton University of Princeton, New Jersey with the class of '46. He then had a year at Oslo University at Oslo, Norway, and a year of post graduate work in Political Science at Stanford.

## Joan Anthony Tells Engagement

Joan "Toni" Anthony of Lafayette passed the traditional box of sweets last Monday night telling U. C. Alpha Phi sorority sisters of her engagement to Sayer Snook.

The betrothal news was revealed the weekend before to intimate friends at a luncheon given by the bride-elect at Hotel Claremont. A June wedding is planned by the young couple.

"Toni" is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Anthony. She attended Berkeley High School and went to Mills College for one year before entering the University of California, where she is a junior.

The groom is a son of William Sayer Snook of Orinda and Mrs. Zelda M. Snook, Berkeley. An Alpha Phi fraternity man, he was graduated from the Berkeley campus and is now a Boalt Hall law student.

## Auto Licenses Available In Walnut Creek

Local members of the American Automobile Association can obtain their 1949 California automobile licenses by applying at the Lawrence Garage in Walnut Creek. C. E. Singleton, A.A.A. representative, will be there every morning until January 31 to handle this matter for those who belong to the Association.

## Realtors Install Officers Monday

Lawrence Wallace of Lafayette was installed as president of the Contra Costa Real Estate Board at ceremonies held at Alsam's Monday night before a large group of Board members.

Installation ceremony was conducted by Ed Wallace, state president of the California Real Estate Association, brother of Lawrence Wallace.

Other officers installed were Buck Johnson, vice president; Barney Gilbert, secretary-treasurer; Arleen Harrold, president, Women's Division; Bill Boies, Orinda Division; and Ben Hamlin, Salesmen's Division.

One of the highlights of the evening was the presentation of an enormous birthday cake and orchid to Mrs. Will Wallace, mother of Ed and Lawrence. To quote Mrs. Wallace, "This is the happiest birthday I have had for many years."

Retiring president Bill Anderson, served as master of ceremonies. He was presented with a movie camera and tripod by the members of the local Board in appreciation of his "outstanding work" of the past year.

Among the honored guests and their wives were president of the Oakland Real Estate Board, Forrest Moyer; W. W. Henry, president of Richmond Board; Ernest

Marchi, President of Concord Board, John Brinkers; past president, Orinda Association, Edgar Stewart; Supervisors Ray Taylor, Jack Cummings; president of Walnut Creek Chamber of Commerce, Ed Larmer; secretary of Walnut Creek Chamber of Commerce, Vance Perry; president of Lafayette Chamber of Commerce, Don Blackwood; president of C. C. Trail Riders Club, George Cardinet, Jr.; Mrs. Ed Wallace, wife of State president, Mrs. George McMahon, sister of Ed and Lawrence Wallace, Mrs. Wm. F. Anderson, wife of the retiring Board president and Mrs. Lawrence Wallace, wife of the incoming president and the incoming officers and wives.

## CHICAGO TRIP

Dr. and Mrs. R. J. Brown and son, Fred, flew to Chicago on the TWA Constellation to spend Christmas and New Years with their folks.

## HONOLULU VACATION

Mr. and Mrs. George Russell of Orinda just returned from Honolulu on the Matson liner "Lurline". They stayed at the Hala-kulani hotel. They also made a flight to the Island, Hawaii where they stayed several nights at the Volcano House and the beautiful Kona Inn. Worden's Travel Agency arranged the trip.

## Residents Aid Symphony Drive

Several Orinda and Lafayette people are lending their efforts to the Bay Area-wide drive to raise \$50,000 for the San Francisco Symphony Orchestra's Contingency Fund.

These residents have formed a tombola committee for this locality. Eugene A. Shurtleff, Orinda, is chairman. Working with him are Harold Ohleyer, Orinda, Edward D. Pike III, Orinda, Mrs. Lawton Shurtleff, Orinda, and Mrs. Frank Dunn, Lafayette.

To raise necessary funds the special events committee of the Musical Association is sponsoring a Tombola. Climax of the drive is to be a Tombola Festival Concert, held March 22 in the Civic Auditorium, featuring the Symphony Orchestra with Pierre Monteux and the San Francisco Ballet. Tombola tickets, representing a donation to the contingency fund are now on sale at San Francisco and East Bay department stores. The price is \$1 per ticket.

The announcement telling of this campaign states that the drive's purpose is to "protect the future of the internationally recognized San Francisco Symphony Orchestra and to insure preservation of its high standards . . . recent financial crises of other major orchestras demonstrate vividly that such insurance is essential."

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## Don Varsity Tops Diablo 38-28

The Acalanes Dons had a fight of it all the way when they invaded the Diablo gym at Concord last Friday night to engage in a duo of league contests.

The varsity had their hands full when a determined Diablo five fought all the way. Half time found the Dons with a meager two point advantage when the scoreboard read 16-14.

### LEAD CHANGES

The third quarter found the lead changing hands three times and the end of the period showed Acalanes with 23 points while the Concord five had 22.

In the fourth frame Acalanes had a diminutive forward by the name of Lynn Amason go wild as he hit four field goals and all of them from difficult angles. Aided and abetted by the good work of his team mates the Dons racked up fifteen points while Diablo gathered in six.

### TAKE TOP SPOT

The final buzzer found Acalanes in the top spot with a 38-28 score with the last two markers being counted on a set up by Lloyd Torchio.

Lynn Amason led the scoring with 12 points while Marshall Freeman with 9 and Harry Nielson with 8 followed in that order.

Bob Younggreen and Bill Cochran held Diablo honors with 8 apiece.

### THE BEE TILT

The Bee tilt found the Diablo Devils too much for the locals who definitely had an off night at putting the ball through an elusive hoop.

Both fives played a slow and

inept first half. The second half found the Devilmen pulling away to eventually win 24-10.

Dick Spight was high for Acalanes with 4 while Jack Price of Diablo had 9 points to capture scoring honors.

### OTHER PARTS OF COUNTY

Elsewhere in the county Alhambra dropped both games to the Pitt Pirates while Crockett maintained its undefeated record in the Bee division but lost in the varsity fray to an inspired Antioch team that put on a final quarter drive to net a 44-40 win.

### ANTIOCH GAME SET

The coming week finds the lights going on at Acalanes when Antioch comes to town. Alhambra travels to Crockett while Diablo takes the bus to Pittsburg.

The games mark the opening of the second round of league play with all games finding the Bees taking to the hardwood at 7:30 p.m.

## Realtors' Course Is Well Attended

More than 80 brokers, salesmen and residents of the area are attending the Contra Costa Real Estate Board's Educational Course at the Acalanes High School.

The subjects discussed at the first meeting were: "Land Descriptions," by Lee Rothgery; "Subdivision Procedure" by Geo. Berry, assistant County Surveyor; and "Subdivision Laws," by L. E. Mullen, Title Company executive.

A question and answer period

## FROM THE SIDELINES

By Coach Erwin Mattson

Generally speaking we are not in favor of the many rule changes that the various games undergo each season following the meetings of the various rule committee.

We realize that changes are necessary if progress is to be made but sometime feel that the rules body makes changes only to prove that they are on the job rather than for reasons with very much logic behind them.

Football rules for example are changed so each year that it's usually mid season before interpretation of the complex phraseology has been worked out to the point where there is some resemblance of uniformity as far as officials are concerned.

### WORK ON RULES

For one we would like to see the rules untouched for a season while the rules board works on a simplification of rules.

To us it simply doesn't make sense to have rules so complicated that a group of officials can study them for hours and then miss a good percentage of answers to hypothetical questions presented in the form of a written examination

following each topic was most helpful.

Meetings are held Wednesday nights. A few seats are still available and the public is invited to attend.

Tickets may be obtained by calling Mabel Anderson, Contra Costa Real Estate Board secretary at Walnut Creek.

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where they have time to think them out.

In the actual game decisions must be made in the matter of seconds and no doubt mistakes do increase as a result.

### RULES AT FAULT

The fault lies not with the official but with the rules.

It certainly seems that rules could be simplified and based on good common "horse sense" which could be applied as the situation arose.

Baseball rules have been standardized except for minor changes for many years. The most recent one changed the strike area. Instead of using the shoulders as a strike boundary it has been changed to the lettering which certainly gives the batter an advantage. The main thing though is that a baseball fan and players can learn the rules if they take time out to make a study of the rule book which is certainly more than can be said for football.

Basketball has had its changes and in general the rules are far easier to interpret than the gridiron regulations.

The game has been greatly speeded up and it is certainly a fan's game to watch.

One regulation we would like to see go into the game is in regard to scoring. We have always felt that the player who passes the ball to the one who makes the shot should get credit, say a point apiece.

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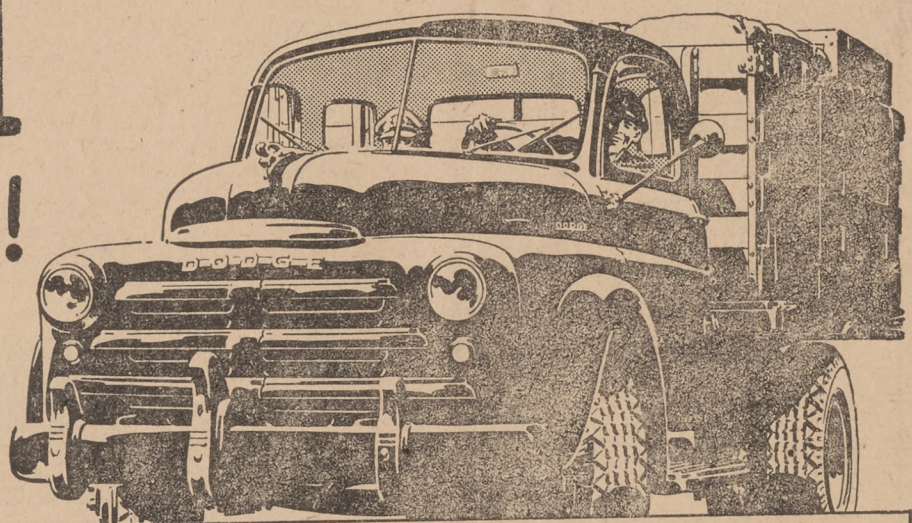
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## Acalanes to Redeem Loan Certificates

Holders of \$2500 worth of Acalanes Union High School Memorial Field football-light loan certificates were offered redemption by the student association this week.

In accord with the Lions' Club football-lights fund committee's original financing plan, student body officers, in the presence of school and committee officials drew by lot the certificates for which redemption would be offered this year.

Under the terms of the 1946 financial agreement between the service club and the school, redemption of these non-interest-bearing loan certificates might be waived by the holder if he desired to convert his loan into a gift to the school. Out of the \$2600 available last year in the second redemption offer, \$500 was made a gift by various holders.

This amount was added to the \$2000 available from 1947 foot-

ball receipts, bringing this year's total redemption fund of \$2500.

After present refunds are made, less than half (\$6400) of the \$15,300 total cost will remain to be paid. As a community-service project of local Lions Clubs, athletic field lights were financed and installed in time to inaugurate night football at Acalanes in 1946.

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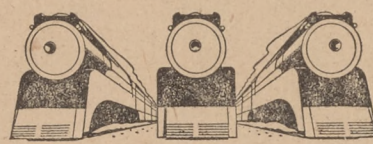
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## Cubs Take Honors at Award Meeting

The January award meeting of Orinda Cub Pack 32 found 33 boys garnering laurels on work completed in the last two months, reports Al Myer, cubmaster.

Another similar session is planned for February 4. Myer says movies of the 1948 World Series will be shown by Harry "Cookie" Lavagetto, who showed the 1947 pictures this month.

Among the activities in which Pack members are participating this month is collection of March of Dimes contributions in their respective neighborhoods. Den mothers and the boys were asked to help in this infantile paralysis campaign due to the disease's extremely high frequency in hitting children, reports Mrs. Ernest Spiegl, Orinda March of Dimes chairman.

### AWARD LIST

Following is a complete list of awards: Den 1, Eddie Maloney, wolf; Mark Jensen, assistant denner; John Conley, second year star and denner stripe; Smedley Ambler, wolf; David Oakley, one year star.

Den 2, Eddie Gathings, denner stripe, bear, and first year star; Bill Rupley, second year star; Jimmie Stewart, assistant denner stripes; George Harrison, silver arrow on wolf and assistant denner stripes; Mike Davis, wolf; Joe Scheaff, assistant denner stripe.

Den 3, Tom Veitch, silver arrow on lion; Hart Corbett, lion and gold arrow on lion; Ben Coombs, silver arrow on bear; Rulard Normand, gold arrow on bear; Chip Peacock, silver arrow on wolf.

### SILVER ARROW AWARD

Den 4, Pete Altieri, silver arrow on lion; Joe Altieri, two silver arrows on wolf; Doug Krotz, silver arrow on wolf; Gary Biederman, silver arrow on wolf; Larry Lucas, bear and first year star; Marlen Clough, silver arrow on wolf; Don Morrow, second year star.

Den 5, Buddy Dodds, bear; Jeffrey Nicklas, gold and silver arrows.

Den 6, John Barchfield, bear; Douglas Day, bear; John Gillivan, bear; Fritz Gaylord, bear; Bob

Long, bear; Dick Schuler, bear; Dock Cory, bear.

Den 7, Terry Ginsburg, gold arrow on bear, silver arrow on bear, assistant denner stripes; John Hall, silver arrow on wolf; Robert Muse, second year star; Peter St. Hill, gold arrow on bear, silver arrow on bear; Jackie Pryde-Gray, second year star; Billie Hughes, wolf.

### BOBCAT AWARD

Den 8, Roger Peterson, bobcat; Burch Fitzpatrick, bobcat; Don March, bobcat.

Den 9, Dennis Allara, bobcat; Tom Layne, bobcat; Norman Gien, bobcat; Bill Ready, bobcat.

## Eighth Graders to Sponsor Dance

The eighth grade of the Orinda School is giving a dance February 11 for the eighth grades of Lafayette and Walnut Creek schools. This will be a March of Dimes dance and the money made will be turned over to the current campaign.

### NEW SCHOOL BOOKS

New books are now being purchased for the Orinda school library and should be available this week. Each teacher submitted a list of books, and then they worked over the lists together and decided on which ones to buy. The money for these new books was made available by the book sale held by the Orinda Mothers Club last November.

## Teachers Discuss Group Insurance

A faculty meeting of the Orinda School was held Wednesday to discuss group accident and health insurance. Superintendent Joseph Sheaff announced that the Washington National Group Insurance Company is making this insurance available for all teachers in Contra Costa County.

Joseph Sheaff announced a meeting of the Acalanes Principals Club on the 27th of January at Orinda School. This group consists of the principals, teachers and Boards of Trustees of this area — Canyon, Moraga, Orinda, Lafayette and Walnut Creek. They meet every two months to discuss problems common to the entire area. This will be a dinner meeting and will be held at the Orinda school.

## "Lots of Noise" at Linda's Celebration

Mrs. W. Lancione reported that there was "lots of noise" at her daughter's seventh birthday party last Friday. Linda's guests were Jean Hoyer, Ginny Matey, Julie Allen, Sally Stuart, Myrne Decker and Bobette Root.



HERE ARE Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Venolia (Janet Gore) immediately following their wedding December 27 at the Orinda Community Church. Following a Carmel honeymoon, they returned to school in southern California. (Moulin photo, courtesy Tribune.)

## World Federalist Speaker To Talk at Guild Meeting

Guild members can look forward to their next meeting, February 1, at the home of Mrs. H. F. Frolich, 8 La Plaza when the distinguished member of the World Federation group, Clarence S. Stone, will speak on "The Only Road to Peace."

The co-hostesses will be Mrs. Challis Gore and Mrs. Olive Gerber.

### COLD — NOT MUMPS

Burdette Hoecker is at home from school this week with a severe cold.

## UWF Plans World Government Week

Representatives of the Acalanes Chapter of United World Federalists attended a meeting in Oakland Saturday, January 15, to formulate plans for the convention to be held in San Francisco during World Government Week in March. Mrs. Mary K. Harvey of Piedmont was in charge of the meeting.

Plans were made for a statewide Student's Oratorical Contest with the winner receiving a substantial prize and the opportunity of addressing the audience at the convention. An essay contest will also be held. Subjects for both contests will be named at a later date.

At the January 10th meeting held in the Lafayette Community Church Mr. Clarence Stone of Orinda was elected vice-president for the Acalanes Chapter, and will take over the duties of J. R. T. Montin of Walnut Creek who is traveling at the present time. Miss

## Three-Year-Old Steve Bottjer Has Birthday

Stephen Bottjer invited eight little guests to his third birthday party.

The most dignified ones present were Linda Boyen, Vicky Brown and Stephen's brother, Jan. The reason for this was that they were too young to run all over the house.

His other guests were Beebe and Gary Woodcock, Larry Hunn, Patty and David Edown. They played with all the toys, admired the presents and ate and ate!

## Work Progresses on Setting Up New Orinda Library in Church Building

The regular monthly meeting of the Orinda Mothers Club was held Tuesday afternoon. The meeting was called to order by Mrs. Donald Krotz in the absence of the president, Mrs. R. D. Harrison. Reports were given by the heads of the various standing committees.

### LIBRARY REPORT

A report was given on the new County Library which Mothers Club has helped sponsor. The library will be in the basement of the new church building, and the Guild has donated the money to finish the walls of this room. Stairs were needed to get down to it and the Clipper Club donated the money for the stairs.

Orinda Lions Club has voted \$50 toward the shelving and agreed to furnish the man power to make the shelves. The lumber is more expensive than was figured, so another shelving sponsor would be appreciated.

Books will be available as soon as the room is ready, and the budget for next year will depend on how much the library is used the balance of this year.

Mrs. Ernest Spiegl announced the new March of Dimes drive. In the past there has been a house to house canvas by the children of the seventh and eighth grades, but it was felt that Orinda has grown too much for this to be practicable this year, so return envelopes have been sent to everyone and the area will be covered through the mail in this manner.

There will also be a dance on February 12, the proceeds of which will go to the March of Dimes fund.

### SANTA CLAUS PROJECT

A report was given on the Mothers Club Santa Claus project. Many requests were received too late to line up a Santa Claus, but \$17.50 was netted.

It was announced that a Womens Choral Group is being formed to meet Monday evenings at 7:45 in the new Sunday School building. Mrs. Tomme will be the leader and dues will be about \$1.25 per month.

Since the last meeting curtains for the teachers' room had been requested. Mrs. Harrison bought the material and made the curtains, and they are much appreciated by all those who use the

## Mrs. Oaden's Parents Arrive from Chicago

Mr. and Mrs. Norman T. Mears, Mrs. John Ogden's parents, left Chicago Tuesday by plane and arrived at the Ogden home that same evening. On Thursday they had a family dinner celebrating Mrs. Mears' birthday.

This was also a time of great rejoicing over Mr. Mears' very recent recovery from a serious operation. On Saturday the Mears will fly to Hawaii for rest and recreation.

### CHRISTIAN SCIENCE CHURCH

"Truth" is the subject of the Christian Science Lesson-Sermon for Sunday, January 23, with the Golden Text taken from Psalms: "Thou, O Lord, art a God full of compassion, and gracious, long-suffering, and plenteous in mercy and truth" (86:15).

The following citations are included in the sermon:

The Bible: "And after these things I heard a great voice of much people in heaven, saying, Alleluia; Salvation, and Glory, and honour, and power, unto the Lord our God: For true and righteous are his judgments" (Revelation 19: 1, 2).

"Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy: "The conservative theory, long believed, is that there are two factors, matter and mind, uniting on some impossible basis. This theory would keep truth and error always at war. Victory would perch on neither banner. On the other hand, Christian Science speedily shows Truth to be triumphant" (p. 492).

### teachers room.

### SATURDAY MOVIE

A report was given by Mrs. George Klement for Teatro para Ninos, the Saturday afternoon movie for the children. They are getting films in Oakland now instead of San Francisco and feel they are obtaining better shows.

The committee asked that a screen be purchased for the school as they are renting one now and it is a nuisance to haul it back and forth, as well as expensive. It was voted that the committee purchase a screen from profits.

Mrs. Nathan Gray reported on ideas of the committee in charge of this year's money making project. Mrs. Gray suggested a Hobby Show to show the works of the various artists and collectors in Orinda. It was decided to have the show the last week end in April, probably at two or three homes.

### EVENING MEETING

The next meeting of Mothers Club was announced as an evening meeting on February 15 for both mothers and fathers. Leona Mourtoun Nelson will review a current Broadway play.

The meeting was adjourned and tea was served by the fourth grade. Mrs. J. W. Rupley and Mrs. O. N. Gien were in charge of tea arrangements and their committee consisted of Mrs. Ed Reedy, Mrs. Bill Stratton, Mrs. Wayne Hoecker, Mrs. William Courtright, Mrs. D. C. Peacock, Mrs. Norman Ketsdever, Mrs. J. E. Rauch and Mrs. Knouse. Mrs. Ray Devin did the decorating.

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## Mens Garden Club Sets Ladies Night

An exceptional dinner meeting and program has been planned by members of the Mt. Diablo Men's Garden Club for Ladies Night, January 27, says Dr. C. L. Feiler, president.

First event is a fried chicken dinner to be served at 8 p.m. in the newly completed Mount Diablo Country Club dining room. All Garden Club members, their wives and guests are invited but reservations must be made immediately, Dr. Feiler emphasized.

The program as announced by Secretary G. D. Freeman is to be highlighted by presentation of orchids to all ladies at the party. Plants also will be given away as prizes during the evening, and the Diger Trio (accordion, base fiddle and guitar) is scheduled to entertain between portions of the program.

Robert Rodin, botanist in charge of specimen studies for the recent University of California expedition to Africa, will be on hand to show colored pictures of plants and experiences on the trip. Ned Rucker, who directs the California Spring Garden Show, is to give a brief preview of the forthcoming display.

Freeman has announced that due to holding this ladies night party one month earlier than usual, election of officers is to take place in February instead of January. The nominating committee will make a report at the dinner, he added.

## Earthquake Here

Mrs. J. A. Connors of Happy Valley phoned the SUN to report a slight tremor at 1:30 a.m. Sunday. She said a friend with whom she talked later had felt a similar shake.

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## Your Garden IN LAFAYETTE AND ORINDA

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CONSTANCE HANSEN



Since so many gardeners will be planting new rose gardens, adding to their old ones, and pruning rose bushes within the next few weeks, I thought it would be a good idea to pass on a few of the pointers heard in a talk given at the last meeting of the Alameda Floral Society by John Paul Edwards, Oakland rosarian.

Mr. Edwards started off with a demonstration of the pruning of several rose bushes of different types. He pointed out that there are few hard and fast rules for pruning roses, since each plant must be treated individually. The equipment for pruning is most important; the pruning shears must be very sharp, and cut without crushing the stem. The type having a blade and 'anvil' against which it cuts is preferred, and a small oil stone should be kept handy to keep the edge on the blade.

Mr. Edwards had in his pruning kit a pair of pliable leather gloves, Wiss shears, oil stone, a small triangular steel saw for old wood and branches too large for the clippers, and a can of tree seal. The tree seal was put on all cuts, using a wooden label as an applicator, to keep the cuts from drying out, and to discourage entrance by insects.

### PRUNING ROSES

Ordinarily about half of the season's growth of the rose bush

is removed in pruning, and all useless and interfering wood is cut out. This includes weak twigs and dead shoots, and the branches to be left are cut back to an outside bud. The cut is made about a quarter of an inch above the bud, slanting down toward the inside of the stem.

The floribunda, or small cluster-flowering roses, are pruned a little differently, since what is wanted is not a few roses of large size, but many small flowers, and more wood is left than when pruning the hybrid teas. The weak and dead canes are cut out, and some of the twiggy growth removed, but more canes are left, and these are not shortened back so far as are those of the large-flowered sorts. Mr. Edwards is very enthusiastic about the floribundas, and prophesies that we will see a lot more of them in coming years. I like them because they can be used as flowering shrubs in the flower border.

The climbing roses are classified as natural climbers, such as Paul Scarlet and Silver Moon, and the climbing forms of hybrid teas. The natural climbers bloom in spring or early summer, and may be pruned as they finish blooming, or at this time.

Leave about three good canes to each plant, and remove the old ones down to the ground. Cut the laterals on the remaining canes back to three buds, and bring the end of each cane down on the fence or trellis, and cut off the tip. Bringing the end of the cane down below the level of the rest of it stimulates the formation of flower buds, so that they will be produced along its length, rather than just at the end. The climbing hybrid teas are pruned at this time also.

### PLANTING INSTRUCTIONS

Mr. Edwards gave some timely instructions on rose planting, emphasizing the importance of starting out with good number one stock, and warning against the purchase of the wax-covered plants that one sees in packages in some

dime and department stores. He recommended that bushes which seemed dry when received from the nursery could often be made plump and fresh as new by putting them in a trench, completely burying them with soil, and then flooding the trench with water. After a few days they can be dug carefully and planted where wanted.

There are two schools of thought on how deep a rose bush should be planted, with respect to the bud union. Mr. Edwards advocated planting so that this union is left two inches above ground. His reason for this is that when planted so that soil covers the union, or butt, it is a prey to a white worm, and also a soil fungus which causes canker. A two inch mulch of half well-rotted manure and half peat moss around each bush will protect the bud from drying out and from sunburn.

Don't fertilize new roses, aside from a handful of bonemeal incorporated in the bottom of the planting hole, until July or later, and then the best kind to use is one that can be applied in liquid form. For established bushes Mr. Edwards likes the fish emulsion products and composted manures. He recommends changing fertilizers from time to time, possibly on the theory that roses like variety too, or maybe that certain trace elements may be present in one fertilizer that aren't in another.

### PEST CONTROL

As to pest control he believes that dusting is a good disease preventive, but spraying is the best cure, and recommends highly the new fungicide called Rix for mildew and rust. Spraying must be done about every ten days during the season for a clean rose garden. In the summer irrigate before spraying to prevent burning by the spray materials.

Mr. Edwards advises having a long range plan for the rose garden, so that it won't be necessary to shift plants around later. Although they don't particularly mind being moved at this season, it's easier on the gardener not to have to shift them. Plan to keep the colors separate, and the taller varieties toward the back.

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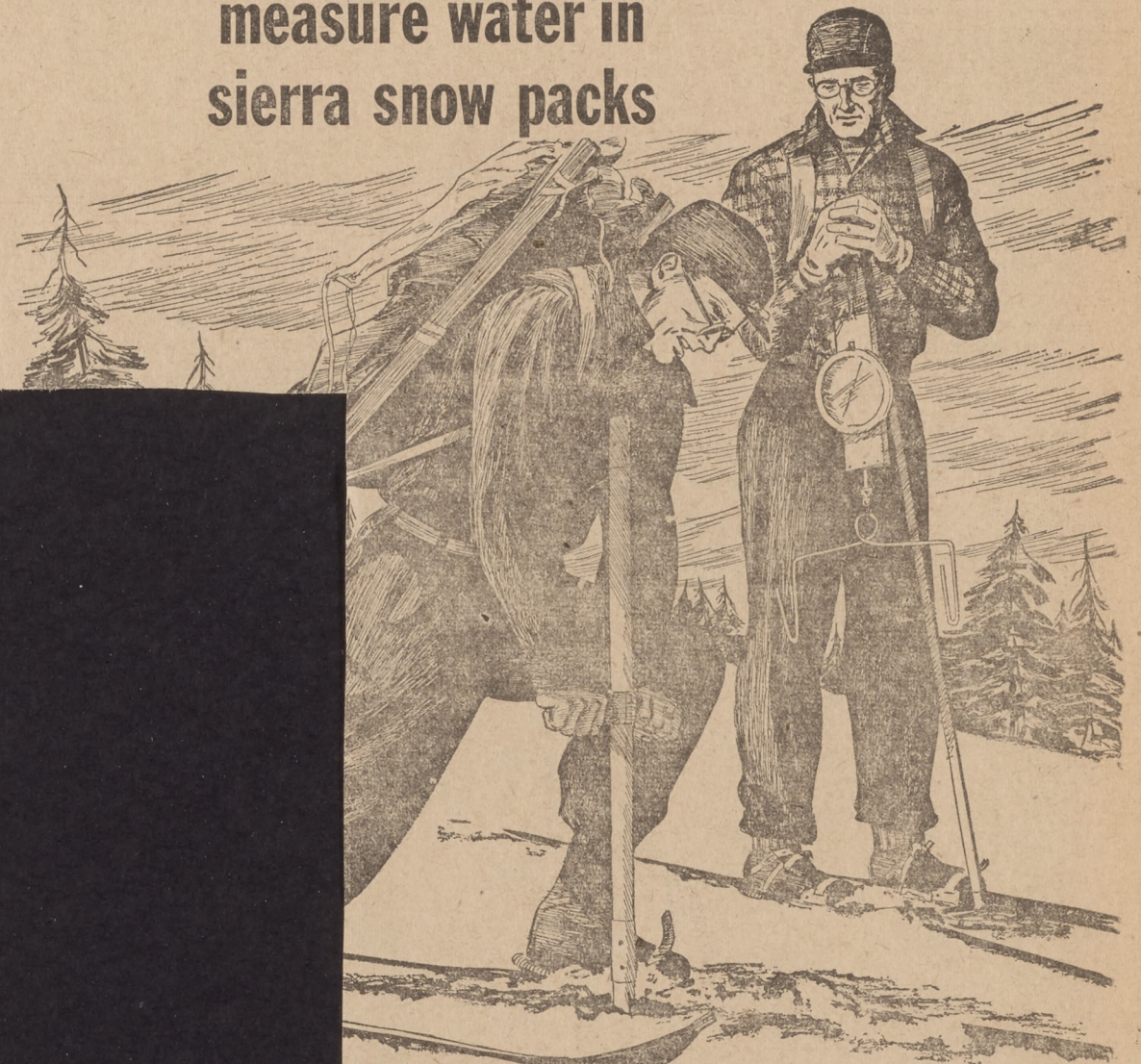
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## Community church Scene of Wedding

Sunday evening in the Orinda Community Church Miss Roberta Jeanne Hyde became the bride of William J. McGuire, Rev. Fred Morrow performing the ceremony.

Mrs. Lillian E. Cortner was matron of honor. Mr. John Bannister, brother-in-law of the groom, was best man. On the altar was a beautiful arrangement of white snapdragons.

Following the quiet ceremony in the church with only intimate friends and relatives present there was a reception in the Orinda Country Club. After a ten day honeymoon the couple will live in Walnut Creek on McGuire Ave.

## Bridge Clubs Are Well Attended

The afternoon session of the Orinda Mothers Club bridge club met last Friday at the home of Mrs. Ben Randall, 6 Valley View Drive.

There were four tables and those playing were the Mesdames Lance Barden, Muriel Hansen, Mary Jo Dunn, Gertrude Howser, Rhea Hansen, William Arends, John Dorr, Hoyer Wright, Robert Muse, Claud Zamloch, Mort Ingalls, R. B. Miner, Tharp, Mary Nelson, Kenwood Hauter and William Stratton.

The morning session met at the home of Mrs. C. C. Doughty, at 81 La Cuesta. Guests were Mesdames Colleen Simon, Jack Moylen, Elaine Scollard, Ray Devin, R. W. Bigler, Frank Wright, Ruth Gilwee, D. C. Peacock, John Stoffel, Ann Dolten, Peg Keessing and Arthur Somers.

The next meeting of the bridge club will be January 28. Those interested in playing bridge, either morning or afternoons, should get in touch with Mrs. William Court-right.

## Directors to Be Elected At Country Club Dance

Directors of the Orinda Country Club will be elected at the Club's Election Night Saturday night. A buffet supper will be served followed by a dance.

## Choral Society Holds First Meeting

Monday evening, in the new unit of the Orinda Community Church, a group of women met to sing and to organize Orinda's first women's Choral Society under the leadership of Mary Elizabeth Tomme.

The plan to meet every Monday evening there at 7:45.

All women interested in singing are invited to join. One does not have to have a trained voice

## Fashion Show Given by League

A luncheon-fashion show was given last Thursday afternoon by Contra Costa members of the Oakland Junior League at the Art and Garden Center, Walnut Creek.

Models of clothes presented by The Clothes Horse were: Mrs. Stanley Dollar Jr. of Walnut Creek, Mrs. Frank Dunn of Orinda, Mrs. Bruce Hayes of Lafayette, Mrs. Leland Scott Jr. of Orinda, Mrs. Bertram Lyle York Jr. of Orinda and Mrs. Eugene Shurtleff of Orinda.

Five local matrons were in charge of setting up tables before luncheon: Mrs. Oliver Meek of Lafayette, Mrs. Robert Cardin of Lafayette, Mrs. Richard Humphries of Concord, Mrs. Lee Kidwell and Mrs. Harmon Howard.

Those who served the meal include: Mrs. Bertram Pike of Diablo, Mrs. Robert Pinger of Concord, Mrs. Edgar Stewart of Orinda and Mrs. Alfred Mitkow of Lafayette.

## Officers Installed At Clipper Club

At last Friday's flight of the Clipper Club taking off from the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Blue the following ship officer couples were installed:

Skipper, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Phelps; Navigator, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Blue; Radio man, Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Twining; Quartermaster, Mr. and Mrs. Kirk Miles; Purser, Mr. and Mrs. John Ogden; Steward, Mr. and Mrs. Kenwood Hauter; Gunner, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Henry; Chefs, Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Easterbrook, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Keene, and Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Rahmeyer.

The speaker for the evening, Jack Finegan of the Pacific School of Religion, held the group breathless by his thrilling account of his mountain climbing feats in Alaska, Colorado, California, Japan, Switzerland and Hawaii.

At the first meeting of the new cabinet meeting Monday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Phelps it was decided to call all couples to a "work day", Saturday, January 29, to put in the steps needed into the downstairs room of the new unit to be used soon as a public library. At 5:30 the workers will have a pot luck dinner together arranged for by the wives.

in order to enjoy belonging to the group and contributing towards its success.

At this first meeting the following officers were elected: president, Mrs. Everett Demster; membership chairman, Mrs. James Hupp; secretary-treasurer, Mrs. Thos. Cullen; Librarian, Mrs. C. B. Chantler; pianist, Mrs. King of El Toyonal.

## Informal Wedding Held at Koehlers

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Koehler on Park Lane was the scene Thursday for the informal wedding of Mr. William R. Tobias and Miss Helen Rathburn, sister of Mrs. Koehler. Rev. Fred Morrow was the officiating clergyman.

The bride's blond beauty was enhanced by her charming going-away frock of fine blue wool and a small hat of pink silk. She wore a corsage of white orchids.

The groom is associated with the Clift, Santa Barbara and Biltmore Hotels in a public relations capacity.

Mr. and Mrs. Tobias will be frequent visitors in Orinda.

## Church Officers To be Installed

Sunday at the Community Church in Orinda officers and elected boards will be informally installed and a special service of consecration for members of the Diaconate will be conducted by the minister, Rev. Fred P. Morrow. "The Golden Touch" is the subject of a related sermon to be given on this occasion.

The opening of the Children's Unit has already brought an increase in enrollment of kindergarten and primary departments, according to E. D. Howe, superintendent of the Church school. New furnishings have been provided for the recently dedicated building. Sessions are held at 9:30 for all age-groups through the 8th grade, and a second session for primary children is provided under the direction of Mrs. J. J. McMillan at the church hour, 11 o'clock. Parents may leave their younger children there while attending church services.

## Branch Makes Plans for Fair

Plans for participation of Orinda Branch in the forthcoming Children's Hospital Easter Fair took up most of the group's recent meeting at Orinda Country Club, reports Mrs. Ambrose Macdonald.

Members of the local branch are to operate a game on Carnival Night, which marks the opening of the Fair March 4, at Hotel Claremont. Other events are scheduled for March 5 and 6. Mrs. Stephen Jensen is chairman of the committee handling this game concession.

Mrs. Macdonald says other plans for the year were outlined at the meeting. One of the biggest events on the branch's future calendar is participation in a fashion show at Orinda Country Club. Models and the date will be announced soon, she added.

Last Friday night a party of local members journeyed to Oakland for the Ice Hockey game. The tilt was a benefit for the Oakland Children's Hospital. Mesdames and Messrs. Arthur Sheu, Frank Olsen, Clarence Betz, Gus Nordquist and Robert Frolich were among the enthusiastic audience.

## Teen-agers Entertain at Hospital

The little children at the Richmond Clinic had big smiles on their faces January 8 when Leatrice Fisher, Robin Hooper, Sally Fleager, Joanne Willits and Carolyn Ward, representing the Prima Donna's Club in Orinda, visited

## Bridge Luncheon Given At Orinda Country Club

Mrs. N. S. Dodge of Irvine Drive is hosting a bridge luncheon for her sister-in-law, Mrs. W. R. Yates, at the Country Club today.

The guests are Mesdames William Foksett, William Olmstead, and Sheldon Duncan, and Miss Elizabeth Dodge.

## MOVING TO BERKELEY

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Galliano regret very much the fact that they have to move to Berkeley from their present home on 45 Crest View Drive. Mr. Galliano is a commercial artist in San Francisco. Their new home is on Evergreen Lane very close to the Claremont Hotel.

## Curtain Calls: Check Your Guns At the Door!

Teatro para Ninos had a surprise show last Saturday. To everyone the movie "Dandy Boy" was an unexpected pleasure. Animal stories seem to rate pretty high among the children's favorites and as before mentioned suggestions are always welcome.

As each child comes in they must park their "shooting irons" and other equipment as the temptation to "shoot the villain" is frequently too much. By the time they are all in there is quite a large arsenal, including one gold-plated gun.

Good news for everybody! Candy will be sold at the show every Saturday. If you wish any information about the schedule, call Mrs. George Klement, Orinda 2815.

Carolyn Cullen, Marge Lee Williams, and Bob Ready had Happy Birthday sung to them with a special cartoon "Dumb like a fox". Marge Lee who was six years old brought her guests who were Wendy Nelson, Marge Delos, Judy Edelin, Sue Thorpe, Peter Olson, Bob, Kate and Steve Williams, Sue Donovan, Billy Brailsford, Sue Gloy, Lois Allara, Nana Horton, Valerie Silva Suzanne Lindsay and Diane Araverson. If any one has a birthday to celebrate be sure and let Mrs. Bacon know in advance if possible.

Sandra Boyer will celebrate her ninth birthday Saturday. Her guests will go to the theatre. Those invited are Ardath Pinson, Delores Rouschen, Mary Lou and Heidi Devin, Judy Hopkins, Brenda Inman, Nancy Long, Alison Rivers, and Marcia Silva.

## Gail Dinwiddie Honored At Birthday Party

There was a very lovely birthday party at the Orinda Country Club last Saturday given for Gail Dinwiddie by her mother, Mrs. Stewart Dinwiddie. Gail and her friends enjoyed a delicious lunch. Then there were wonderful birthday presents and ice cream and a cake with nine candles.

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### THE FLU BUG

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### TO LOS ANGELES

Mr. and Mrs. Mervin Emerson took a trip to Los Angeles over the holidays.

### POT LUCK SUPPER

A delicious "pot luck" supper was enjoyed at Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Woodcock's home last Saturday night. Guests were Messrs. and Mesdames Richard Bottjer, Thomas Cullen, Eugene Schmitt, and Marvin Lee. They all had a wonderful time and plan to meet again next month.

### SOUTHERN JAUNT

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Fowler went to Los Angeles last week-end for a vacation.

### IN NEW HOME

Mr. and Mrs. T. D. Courtright just moved into their new house on El Toyonal Road.

### IN BED WITH COLD

Leatrice Fisher, a freshman at Acalanes High School, has been in bed a couple of days with a cold.

### AT DESERT RESORT

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Merrill Jr. just returned from Hobergs new desert resort in Julian, California.

### BIRTHDAY PARTY

Grenda Kay Hoecker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Hoecker, celebrated her fifth birthday January 8 with a party for 10 of her playmates. Ice cream and birthday cake were enjoyed by all.

### DINNER PARTY

Last Saturday night Mr. and Mrs. Charles Coburn invited four couples over for a dinner-party. They were Messrs. and Mesdames Robert May, William Berelson, David Berelson and Lee Benjamin.

## Church Elects 1949 Officers

Orinda Community Church elections were held recently and nominations made by the Nominating Committee were upheld 100 percent.

Clerk is Carrie L. Brown; treasurer, Lance S. Barden; financial secretary, James G. Hupp; auditor, G. Chester Brown; Sunday school superintendent, Everett D. Howe; music director, Mary E. Tomme; sexton, George M. Trimble.

Two new deacons were chosen: K. S. Hauter, George Mulligan; three were held over, J. W. McFarland, D. Pimentel, F. Twining. Also selected were two new deaconesses: Mrs. Challis Gore and Mrs. R. E. Wilson; those held over are Mrs. John Ogden, Mrs. R. C. Sisson.

R. C. Hall and Stanley Hudd are new trustees elected for a three year term; Arthur Henry and Mrs. Harper Wright are also new additions to the Board, R. H. Phelps and B. O. Wilson were held over from the previous group.

Five members were named to the stewardship committee: John Ogden, Lance Barden, Mrs. M. H. Groves, Mrs. E. A. Dawson, Mrs. R. P. Hafner. The Christian Education Committee now consists of Mrs. W. P. Mott, Mrs. Paula Collings, Mrs. Henry Harris.

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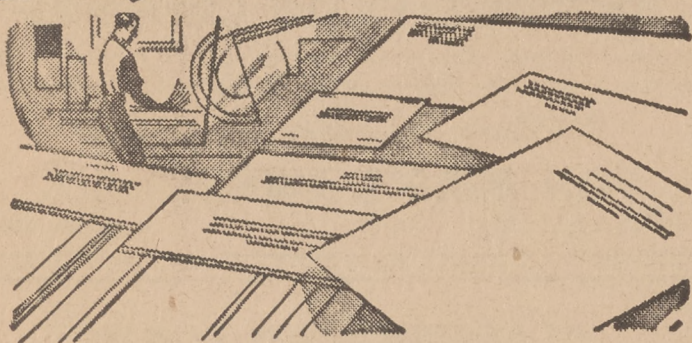


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